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To:

Connecticut State Education Committee
State Representative Brenda Kupchick
State Senator Tony Hwang

From:

Ellen Jacob
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Re:

Senate Education Bills #457 and #738 Re: School District Size and Regionalization of CT Schools

Dear Committee Members:

I strongly urge you to vote AGAINST Senate Education Bills #457 and #738, which would deprive our local school districts and elected officials of home rule, one of the founding principles of our great state and nation.

Local school districts and elected school boards are directly responsible to the constituent families, residents and taxpayers they serve. By definition they must be responsive to and set priorities according to the particular financial and education needs of their communities. Everyone loses if there is forced regionalization. As in education as a whole, one size DOES NOT fit all.

Thank you for the opportunity to be heard.